ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

November 23rd, 2025 | The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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FROM OUR PRIESTS

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Blessed Sunday to you all! As we celebrate the reign of Jesus Christ and the coming fullness of the Kingdom of God, we are invited to reflect upon God's faithfulness and love, for He always fulfills His promises to His people. For those who persevere in righteousness, this fulfillment will come, though often not in the time and way that we imagine, as we can see in the life of King David.

As we hear about the anointing of David as king of Israel in the first reading today from 2 Samuel, it is easy to overlook this detail in favor of the more remarkable stories from David's life. But it is remarkable when we look at the whole timeline of David's life and realize that his acceptance as king of Israel came approximately twenty years after Samuel had first anointed him as king due to Saul's unfaithfulness to God. Over the course of these years, David became a warrior and a general, spending much of his life either fighting in battle, living in exile, or both. In the midst of it all, however, he remained faithful to God and confident in God's plan for him and was ultimately raised up as king.

But even after he was anointed king in Hebron, David still had to march his army to Jerusalem and take it by force, as well as quell the civil war that broke out after the death of Saul. Only after additional years of conflict with the foreign nations around Israel, was David finally able to rule his kingdom in peace and security. Though his fidelity to God wavered at times, notably with his affair with Bathsheba, his willingness to repent revealed his righteousness and desire to serve God.

The parallels between David's kingship gradually coming to fulfillment under God's guidance and the progressive manifestation of the Kingdom of Heaven in the world should fill us with great hope in the promises of Jesus. While the kingdom of Israel and the kingdom ruled by Jesus Christ are distinct, just as David's eventual rule was assured because of God's fidelity, so too is the full manifestation of the power of God's kingdom. The powers of darkness, sin, and death have been broken, and their fall will be complete when Jesus comes in glory. Our response to the knowledge of Jesus' victory ought to be perseverance in righteousness, faithfulness in service, and readiness to repent, like David and the thief on the cross beside Jesus, so that we might receive the fullness of our inheritance in Christ our King.

God Bless You,

Fr. Jack

MASS TIMES

Monday	12:15 PM
Tuesday	8:00 AM
Wednesday	8:00 AM
Thursday	8:00 AM
Friday	12:15 PM
Saturday	8:00 AM
	5:00 PM
Sunday	9:00 AM
	11:00 AM

9:00 AM Mass Livestreamed here.

Recitation of the Rosary is held after daily Mass, Wednesday through Saturday.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

In the Adoration Chapel

Tuesday 9:00 AM-5:45 PM
Wednesday 9:00 AM-9:00 PM
Friday 1:00 PM-5:00 PM

ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

First Friday of the Month
Friday, 1:00 PM through
Saturday, 7:45 AM

CONFESSION

Monday	11:00 AM
Tuesday	8:30 AM
Friday	11:00 AM
Saturday	3:30 PM

CAMPUS MINISTRY
NO-SHAVE NOVEMBER
HELP OUR STUDENTS ATTEND SEEK 2026

The handle bar moustache is **still** in the lead!

The Empower Conference last year was the greatest blessing of the year! I wasn't sure if I would be able to go, but I'm super grateful to have had the opportunity and ability to attend with the SJB Campus Ministry. I had such an amazing time getting to know the other students. Having just graduated high school, I was honestly scared for the next step, but I felt like God kept telling me to slow down and trust in His timing. Truly, everything fell into place after I surrendered and said, "Okay, Lord, I trust that You've got this." So many blessings have flowed since then, and I love that He has placed new people in my life for me to look up to. I initially got connected to Campus Ministry when some friends reached out with an unexpected invitation, and though it hasn't been long, the Campus Ministry community feels like family, which makes me so happy to be there.

Going to last year's Empower Conference was filled with so much joy—almost like hanging out with all my siblings at a Jesus party. I definitely loved that we started every morning with adoration and personal prayer time, followed by Mass. Adoration was so beautiful, and the entire room was filled with peace and awe. The times of praise and worship were absolutely awesome; I loved being with hundreds of people all praising God and thanking Him. I experienced so much freedom and joy worshiping God alongside my peers.

I'm so grateful for everyone who has supported Campus Ministry and made experiences like Empower possible. Your generosity has truly impacted my faith and the faith of so many students. As we prepare for the SEEK Conference this winter, I invite you to consider supporting Campus Ministry so more students can experience Jesus in a powerful way!

– Eliora | SJB Campus Ministry Student

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NEXT WEEK

HOLY BREWS

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3RD
7pm
at the Ypsi Alehouse
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JOIN US IN CELEBRATING COMMUNITY LIFE AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5TH, 5PM TO
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6TH, 7:45AM
in the Adoration Chapel

SIGN UP FOR DECEMBER ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

MEN'S BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13TH
AFTER THE 8AM MASS
downstairs in the PLC

WORSHIP NIGHT

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19TH
6:30pm
in the Sanctuary

Formation Opportunities

"WHAT THE CHURCH TEACHES" SERIES

November 24th.....Liturgical Calendar - Seasons, Liturgy (Differences in the Mass)

November 30th.....1st Sunday Advent

December 1st.....Walk Through the Mass Pt 1

December 8th.....Walk Through the Mass Pt 2 (ATTEND 6pm Mass as group)

MONDAYS AT 6:30
DOWNSTAIRS IN THE PLC

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR THE FULL SCHEDULE.

This Advent, Fr. Mike Schmitz invites you to learn how to wait well with his daily video reflections in the Ascension App, beginning November 30, 2025.

To help you journey more deeply, SJB will have a limited number of Waiting Well Journals available for a suggested donation of $10

SCAN THE QR CODE TO RESERVE A COPY!

YOUNG ADULT ADVENT RETREAT

Young adults from throughout the Diocese of Lansing are invited to this Advent Retreat. The theme is "Waiting in Hope." The diocese is collaborating with St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church to host the retreat in Ann Arbor. There will be speakers, prayer, Mass, and Confession Please Register via the QR Code by November 29th.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6TH
9AM - 5PM
ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

BREAKFAST WITH HIS BRIDES

Mothers - or other influential women - and daughters are invited to encounter the beauty of religious life with the sisters of Servants of God's love. Our time together will be enjoyed with activities, prayer, worship, and a talk that fosters openness to religious life and discernment. All are welcome, especially girls in grades K-8th. Please RSVP via the QR code by December 1 for planning purposes.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6TH
8 AM-11 AM (JOIN US FOR 8 AM MASS)
DOWNSTAIRS IN THE PLC

CHRISTKINDLMARKT - ADVENT FESTIVAL

Christkindlmarkt ("Christ Child Market") is a traditional German festival held before Christmas to help prepare our hearts for the coming of the Lord. The outdoor artisan market held at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church in Ann Arbor will also include food and drinks for purchase, Lessons & Carols, an Our Lady of Guadalupe dance performance, and an array of fun activities for all ages. See you there!

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14TH
1PM - 6PM
ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE, ANN ARBOR

St. John the Baptist Apparel Store

Looking for a thoughtful Christmas gift? Grab SJB apparel for family, friends, or yourself! Youth and adult sizes available.

2025 ordering period closes Sunday, December 7th at Midnight. Order soon to make sure it arrives in time for Christmas.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO BROWSE THE STORE AND PLACE YOUR ORDER!

Adoration at SJB

DID YOU KNOW WE HAVE ADORATION EVERY WEEK?

Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday
9:00 AM - 5:45 PM	8:45 AM - 9:00 PM	12:00 - 5:00 PM

Eucharistic Adoration can be pivotal for your prayer life. Enjoy the silence, journal, read spiritual literature, pray the rosary, kneel, sit, or stand.

WEEKLY COMMITTED ADORERS NEEDED

Open spots include:

- Tuesdays at 12 PM
- Fridays at 3PM
- All times need a third committed adorer
- We always need more adorers for First Friday All-Night Adoration

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-ST. ALPHONSUS LIGOURI

COMMITTMENT WEEKEND

To date, our parish has raised **$543,167** which is about **49%** of our goal of **$1.11 million.**

Today, in parishes across the diocese, we are celebrating the success of the Stewardship for Saints and Scholars campaign at Masses through our Commitment Weekend. Thank you to everyone who has made a gift or pledge to support this historic effort! While we have accomplished great things – for which Bishop Boyea is truly thankful and humbled - we still have some work to do, and we need everyone's help.

Today is a great opportunity for those who have not yet made a gift to join those parishioners who are helping to leave a legacy for future generations of Catholics in Michigan. Our goal is 100 percent parish participation. Let us give thanks in prayer at Mass today, for the pride we will feel at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church for playing a role in the success of this campaign.

In Christ,

Fr. Dan

HELP FORM FUTURE GENERATIONS IN THE FAITH. MAKE YOUR PLEDGE TODAY!

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LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE
NOVEMBER 29TH & NOVEMBER 30TH

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	SUNDAY
5:00 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
USHERS		
Jeff Decker	Carolyn Bradley	John Urbanic
Need Volunteer	Stephen Bradley	Andy Winnie
Need Volunteer	Need Volunteer	Wendy Winnie
Need Volunteer	Need Volunteer	Vince Zahm
GREETERS		
Need Volunteer	John Belleba	Shelly Czupinski
Need Volunteer	Marie Lenhardt	Need Volunteer
LECTORS		
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Rebecca Lussier	John Yurko	Theresa Urbanic
SACRISTAN		
ADULT:	ADULT:	ADULT:
Therese Lasswell	Liz Richards	Judy Ramirez
JUNIOR:	JUNIOR:	JUNIOR:
Need Volunteer	Need Volunteer	Need Volunteer
ALTAR SERVERS		
Jordan Wells	Kellan Gentit	Donald Cahalan
Need Volunteer	Augustine Lussier	Eliseo Gonzalez
Need Volunteer	Roger Meyer	Stefano Patti

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OFFICE HOURS AND INFO

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Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM
Friday 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM
(Closed for lunch 12:00- 1:00)

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Bl. Luigi Beltrame Quattrocchi & Bl. Maria Corsini

November 25th, 2025

As Pope John Paul II would say, Luigi and Beltrame Quattrocchi "extraordinarily lived an ordinary life."

Luigi was born on January 12, 1880 and was raised in Urbino by his aunt and uncle, though he still held close ties to his parents and siblings. He became a well-educated lawyer and worked for the Inland Revenue Department, and held many board positions for banks and other authorities. However, his greatest achievement many would say, was his marriage to Maria Corsini.

Maria was born on June 24, 1884 into a noble family who was immersed in the cultural life of Florence. This helped instill in her a love of music and writing. Maria went on to become a professor and was involved with many associations, including Women's Catholic Action.

The couple went on to have four children, three of whom entered religious life. Their first son, Filippo, a diocesan priest; Cesare, a Trappist monk; and Stefania, a Benedictine cloistered nun. In 1913, Luigi and Maria were expecting their third child. The pregnancy was difficult and filled with great anguish. In response to her diagnosis, her doctors advised that she get an abortion to try to save Maria's life, at the least. Maria, trusting in the Lord to provide, refused the abortion, despite less than a five-percent survival rate. Luigi and Maria offered up this time of suffering in prayer, and the Lord miraculously provided. Enrichetta, their second daughter, was born, with both her and Maria safe and healthy.

Their faith and marital bond were strengthened by this hardship, and their steadfast perseverance allowed them to enter more deeply into what the Lord called them to within their vocation and what was to come.

During World War II, they generously and lovingly opened their doors to refugees, the poor, and the hungry. Within their home they created a shelter for prayer, as they prayed the Rosary every evening as a family and grew in devotion to Mary as well as the Sacred Heart. Amidst the busyness of family life, Maria also played a part in establishing the University of the Sacred Heart, volunteered for the Red Cross during World War II, and helped form marriage and family apostolates alongside Luigi.

Luigi passed away in November 1951, and fourteen years later, Maria died on August 26, 1965.

"This couple lived married love and service to life in the light of the Gospel and with great human intensity. With full responsibility they assumed the task of collaborating with God in procreation, dedicating themselves generously to their children, to teach them, guide them and direct them to discovering his plan of love. From this fertile spiritual terrain sprang vocations to the priesthood and the consecrated life, which shows how, with their common roots in the spousal love of the Lord, marriage and virginity may be closely connected and reciprocally enlightening."
— Pope John Paul II

— Written by Anna Njoku

SACRAMENTS

MATRIMONY
Couples should contact the parish office to inquire about Marriage Formation as soon as they are engaged.

BAPTISM
Parents are required to complete preparation and must be registered parishioners for at least three months. Pre-registration is required. Please call the parish office for more information.

LAY MINISTER INFORMATION
If you are interested in serving as a Liturgical Minister or wish to update your schedule preferences, please submit your request by email to schedule@ypsicatholic.org.

REQUESTING MASS INTENTIONS
Call or visit the parish office to ask for a special day. Weekday and weekend Masses are available. The stipend for a Mass intention is $10. Mass cards are also available.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK
Please call the parish office for more information.

FUNERALS
Please call the parish office for more information.

OFFICE PHONE
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JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR…

Katie (O'Toole) Davis
Kailyn Fitzgerald
Kris Kapcia
Ann Marie Rusiniak
Dorothy Chan
Philip Philipose
Shibu Philipose
Gemma Almendras
Jake Meyer
Pfc. Carter Hornbeck
Caroline Stramecky
David Sell

Please call the office if you would like to add a name to the list of intercessions for healing or for men and women in the armed forces. Names will be removed after four weeks unless we receive a request to continue.

Remember also that our Book of Petitions is located in The Gathering Space. These intercessions are prayed for at every Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH
12:15 PM:†Greg VandeVoorde
Requested by Leanna McCully

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH
8:00 AM:†Joann Scerbak Hall
Requested by Fred Hall

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH
8:00 AM:†Joanne Renterghem
Requested by Natalie Klackle

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28TH
12:15 PM: Increase in Vocations

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH
8:00 AM: Intentions of Katie Pawelski
Requested by Ted Koehler

5 PM:†William Speicher
Requested by Claire & Jean Bournival

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH
9:00 AM: People of the Parish

11 AM:†Frederick Long
Requested by Stan Starzec

NEEDED, WANTED, & AVAILABLE

Part-Time Caregiver Needed – Flexible Hours
The Fuller family (Christ the King, Ann Arbor) seeks a caregiver for their 17-year-old daughter with Down syndrome. Must be 18+, pass a background check, and complete paid training. Email *full.md5@icloud.com* with a short bio.

Transportation Help
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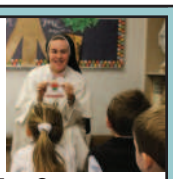

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